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# From Military To Civilian -A Seamless Transition

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As you've already heard & noticed, we made a pretty significant update to our website a short time back. To those of you out there who, over the years, have included links on your websites to your Archived articles ... I am working on sending updated links out. Please bear with me... we're talking years worth of stories here © SO if you find a broken link to one of your stories feel free to touch base with me so it can be updated. Thanks!

Some noteworthy dates in February include.... Arizona Statehood Day, Valentine's Day, Mardi Gras, National Pizza Day ... and the list goes ON..... ©

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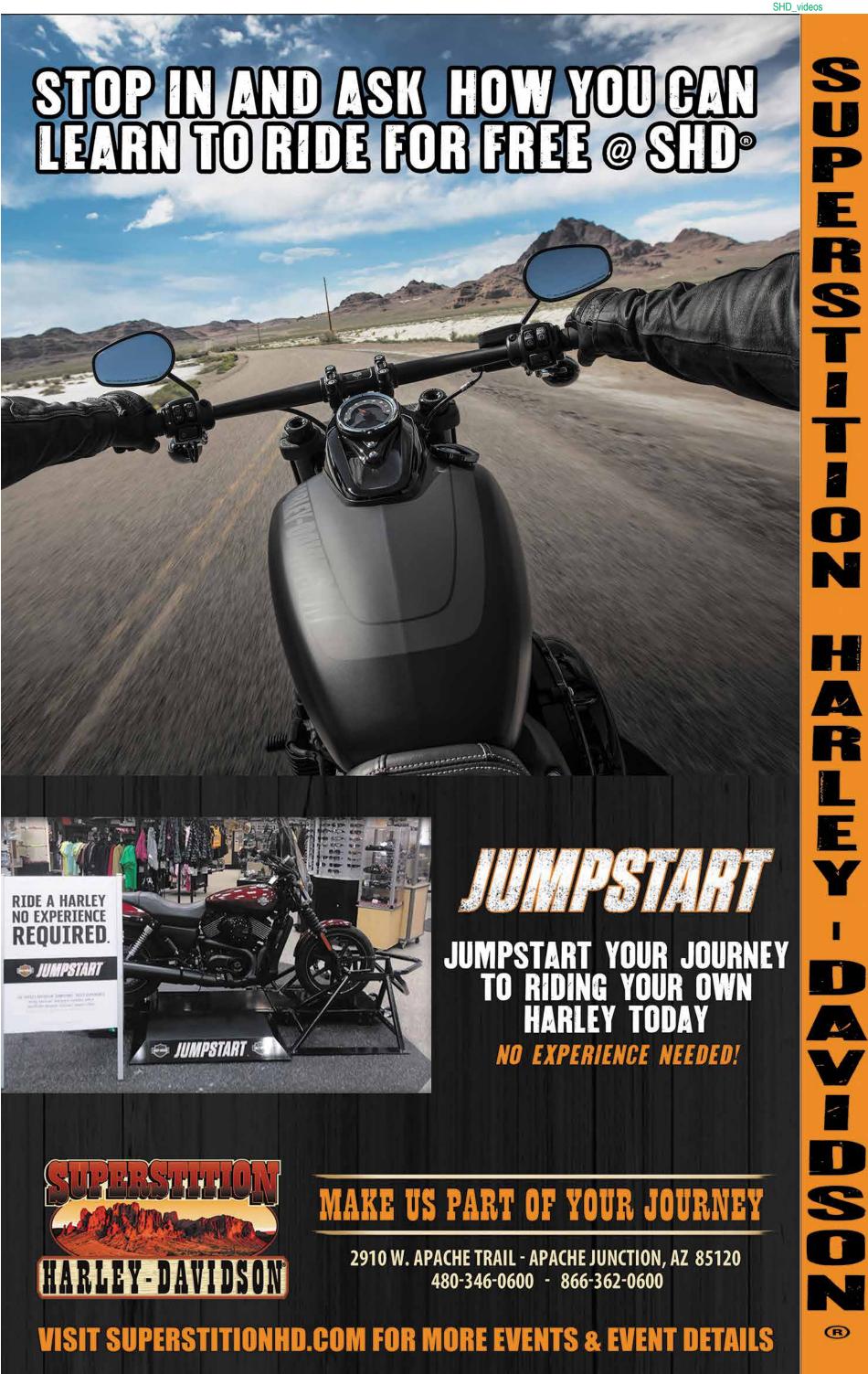
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- 1. The 13 stripes on the Arizona flag represent the 13 original colonies of the United States.
- 2. Arizona has 3,928 mountain peaks and summits, more mountains than any one of the other Mountain States (Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming). Arizona has 26 peaks that are more than 10,000 feet in elevation. Rising to a height of 12,643 feet, Mount Humphreys north of Flagstaff is the state's highest mountain.
- 3. All New England, plus the state of Pennsylvania would fit inside Arizona. Arizona is the 6th largest state in the nation, covering 113,909 square miles.
- 4. Arizona became the 48th state and last of the contiguous states on February 14, 1912. In 1912, President William Howard Taft was ready to make Arizona a state on February 12, but it was Lincoln's birthday. The next day, the 13th, was considered bad luck so they waited until the following day. That's how Arizona became known as the Valentine State
- 5. Arizona's disparate climate can yield both the highest temperature across the nation and the lowest temperature across the nation in the same day. The hottest temperature recorded in Arizona was 128 degrees at Lake Havasu City on June 29, 1994. The coldest temperature recorded in Arizona was 40 degrees below zero at Hawley Lake on January 7, 1971.
- 6. There are more wilderness areas in Arizona than in the entire Midwest. Arizona alone has 90 wilderness areas, while the Midwest has 50. There are 11.2 million acres of National Forest in Arizona, and one-fourth of the state forested.
- 7. Arizona has the largest contiguous stand of Ponderosa pines in the world stretching from near Flagstaff along the Mogollon Rim to the White Mountains region.
- 8. Out of all the states in the U.S., Arizona has the largest percentage of its land designated as Indian lands. Oraibi, a Hopi village located in Navajo County, Arizona, dates back to before A.D. 1200 and is reputed to be the oldest continuously inhabited community in America. The Navajo Nation spans 27,000 square miles across the states of Utah, Arizona and New Mexico, but its capital is seated in Window Rock, Arizona.
- 9. The Five C's of Arizona's economy are: Cattle, Copper, Citrus, Cotton, and Climate.
- 10. More copper is mined in Arizona than all the other states combined, and the Morenci Mine is the largest copper producer in all of North America. Bisbee, Arizona is known as the Queen of the Copper Mines because during its mining heyday it produced nearly 25 percent of the world's copper and was the largest city in the Southwest between Saint Louis and San Francisco.
- 11. The amount of copper utilized to make the copper dome atop Arizona's Capitol building is equivalent to the amount used in 4.8 million pennies.
- 12. Covering 18,608 sq. miles, Coconino County is the second largest county by land area in the 48 contiguous United States. (San Bernardino County in California is the largest)
- 13. The world's largest solar telescope is located at Kitt Peak National Observatory in Sells, Arizona.
- 14. Billy the Kid killed his first man, Windy Cahill, in Bonita, Arizona.
- 15. Arizona grows enough cotton each year to make more than one pair of jeans for every person in the United States.
- 16. Yuma, Arizona is the country's highest producer of winter vegetables, especially lettuce.
- 17. Famous labor leader and activist Cesar Chavez was born in Yuma.
- 18. When England's famous London Bridge was replaced in the 1960s, the original was purchased, dismantled, shipped stone by stone and reconstructed in Lake Havasu City, Arizona, where it still stands today.
- 19. Mount Lemmon, Tucson, in the Santa Catalina Mountains, is the southernmost ski resort in the United States.

- 20. Rooster Cogburn Ostrich Ranch in Picacho, Arizona is the largest privately-owned ostrich ranch in the world outside South Africa.
- 21. The Saguaro cactus is the largest cactus found in the U.S. It can grow as high as a five-story building and is native to the Sonoran Desert, which stretches across southern Arizona. If you cut down the protected species of cactus in Arizona, you could spend more than a year in prison.
- 22. The world's largest to-scale collection of miniature airplane models is housed at the library at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Prescott, Arizona.
- 23. The only place in the country where mail is delivered by mule is the village of Supai, located at the bottom of the Grand Canyon.
- 24. Located on Arizona's western border, Parker Dam is the deepest dam in the world at 320 feet.
- 25. South Mountain Park/Preserve in Phoenix is the largest municipal park in the country.
- 26. Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station, located about 55 miles west of Phoenix, generates more electricity than any other U.S. power plant.
- 27. Built by Del Webb in 1960, Sun City, Arizona was the first 55-plus active adult retirement community in the country.
- 28. Petrified wood is the official state fossil. The Petrified Forest in northeastern Arizona contains America's largest deposits of petrified wood.
- 29. Phoenix originated in 1866 as a hay camp to supply military post Camp McDowell.
- 30. Rainfall averages for Arizona range from less than three inches in the deserts to more than 30 inches per year in the mountains.
- 31. Roadrunners are not just in cartoons! In Arizona, you'll see them running up to 17-mph away from their enemies.
- 32. Sandra Day O'Connor, the first woman appointed to the U.S. Supreme Court, grew up on a large family ranch near Duncan, Arizona.
- 33. The best-preserved meteor crater in the world is located near Winslow, Arizona.
- 34. The average state elevation is 4,000 feet.
- 35. Near Yuma, the Colorado River's elevation dips to 70 feet above sea level, making it the lowest point in the state.
- 36. The geographic center of Arizona is 55 miles southeast of Prescott near the community of Mayer.
- 37. You could pile four 1,300-foot skyscrapers on top of each other and they still would not reach the rim of the Grand Canyon.
- 38. The westernmost battle of the Civil War was fought at Picacho Pass on April 15, 1862 near Picacho Peak in Pinal County
- 39. Wyatt Earp was neither the town marshal nor the sheriff in Tombstone at the time of the shoot-out at the O..K. Corral. His brother Virgil was the town marshal.
- 40. On June 6, 1936, the first barrel of tequila produced in the United States rolled off the production line in Nogales, Arizona.
- 41. The Sonoran Desert is the most biologically diverse desert in North America.
- 42. Bisbee is the Nation's Southernmost mile-high city.
- 43. The two largest man-made lakes in the U.S. are Lake Mead and Lake Powell, both located in Arizona.
- 44. The longest remaining intact section of Route 66 can be found in Arizona and runs from Seligman to Topock, a total of 157 unbroken miles.
- 45. The negotiations for Geronimo's final surrender took place in Skeleton Canyon, near present day Douglas, Arizona, in 1886.
- 46. Prescott, Arizona is home to the world's oldest rodeo, and Payson, Arizona is home to the world's oldest continuous rodeo, both of which date back to the 1880's.
- 47. Kartchner Caverns, near Benson, Arizona, is a massive limestone cave with 13,000 feet of passages, two rooms as long as football fields, and one of the world's longest soda straw stalactites: measuring 21 feet 3 inches.
- 48. You can carry a loaded firearm on your person, no permit required.

Those are your 48 facts about the 48th state! *Happy Birthday AriZona!* 

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### THE IMPACT OF BREXIT ON **BIKERS**

It's been two and a half years since the referendum that started Britain on its journey out of the European Union, and now time is running out and "Brexit" is due to take place on March 29, 2019 deal or no deal. With Parliament squabbling, the prospect of a no-deal Brexit is now looking increasingly likely, and that outcome would affect many things including motorcycles.

You may have heard about the United Kingdom reverting to 'WTO' rules when it comes to trade, and British biker website www.visordown explains what that will mean: "The World Trade Or-

ganization (WTO) maintains an immense database that records types of products and the import duties that countries or trading blocs impose on them. At the moment we're part of the EU, which means we can trade with other European countries without incurring any tariffs, but once we leave we'll be outsiders, subject to the taxes they impose."

On motorcycles under 250cc, the EU charges an 8% tariff, and on bikes over that size there's a 6% duty. Meanwhile, motorcycle parts and accessories are taxed at 3.7% and bike tires are subject to a 4.5% import duty.

For consumers, if you're buying a bike made in the EU -- such as a BMW -there will be an extra 6% tax to be incorporated into its cost. Even a UK-based manufacturer, like Triumph, would be subject to an import duty on motorcycle parts from EU suppliers, like their Brembo brakes, so even British-made bikes are likely to become more expensive in a no-deal scenario.

Exports might be less of an immediate concern to the everyday bike buyer, but they have an impact on the motorcycle industry in Britain, and without a deal in place exported bikes would be taxed by the EU at WTO rates.

Of course, once out of the EU the UK government will need to negotiate their own trade deals not only with Europe, but with other trading partners such as Japan, the U.S. and China, but the bottom line is that there's little prospect that a no-deal Brexit will make bikes or bike-related parts any cheaper.

In the meantime, the uncertainty of Britain's economic future has negatively impacted motorbike sales in the UK, plummeting 17.9% in December following an overall 2.9% gain in 2018.

### **GOVERNMENT** FIRST WINS ROUND IN TRIAL TO SEIZE MON-**GOLS PATCH**

For over a decade, federal law enforcement authorities have been testing a unique legal tactic to take down the Mongols Motorcycle Club by seizing their trademarked logo under asset forfeiture laws, and now a federal jury in Santa Ana, California has found the Mongols guilty of racketeering and conspiracy, setting up a second phase of the trial during which the government will seek to seize control of the club's "intellectual property" and thereby ban members from wearing their unifying "colors" or



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patches.

Federal prosecutors will ask the judge to fine the Mongol Nation -- the West Covina, CA entity that legally owns the club trademark -- and order it to forfeit rights to the identifying logo worn on the bikers' vests.

Since the case is focused on the Mongols organization, no specific individuals are facing jail or prison time, but the government's attempt to defrock club members is aimed at dismantling the club by destroying their identity and thus its allure.

During the five-week trial that ended Thursday, December 13, 2018 prosecutors testified that the Mongols were a violent criminal enterprise. According to the *Associated Press*, in finding the Mongols guilty of racketeering, jurors decided that the motorcycle club itself is a criminal organization.

The Mongols have denied that they are a criminal enterprise, arguing that the organization itself isn't responsible for crimes committed by individual members or in self-defense.

Defense attorney Joseph A. Yanny argued that individual club members may have committed criminal acts but the club is blameless and kicks out members

under a "zero-tolerance" policy for such activity.

"They won the battle, but they did not win the war," said David Santillan, the current president of the Mongols, said of the government after the jury verdict.

In 2008, dozens of members were charged with racketeering based on an investigation in which agents from the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives infiltrated the club, and a judge ruled that they should forfeit the Mongols trademark but later reversed the decision. The new case was filed in 2013, and it was thrown out two years later by U.S. District Judge David O. Carter, but he was overruled on appeal.

Now, the same jury will return to court Jan. 8, as the focus of the trial shifts to potential seizures from the Mongols. Judge Carter, who is presiding over the trial, will make the final ruling on exactly what will be seized. If the judge ultimately approves the seizure of the trademark, he would also determine exactly what the government could do with it, including whether they could literally take the Mongols jackets off members' backs.

Motorcycle clubs across the country are watching this test case closely.

"They take our patch," Santillan told the *New York Times*, "and then they take all the clubs' patches."

# FEDERAL JURY DECIDES MONGOLS MUST FORFEIT LOGO

In a first-of-its-kind verdict with far-reaching legal implications, a federal jury ruled that the Mongols motorcycle club must forfeit the logo worn by its members, finding in favor of prosecutors' novel claim that there is a direct link between the club's crimes and its trademarked insignia.

Last month, the jury in U.S. District Court in Santa Ana, Calif., found the Mongol Nation guilty of racketeering and conspiracy, classifying the group as a criminal organization, and their verdict on Friday, January 11, 2109 was the second phase of a trial that focused on forfeiture of assets in a decade-long quest by the government to dismantle the club.

The verdict will lead to the forfeiture of the group's legal interest in the word "Mongols" and some of their patches, as well as Mongols items seized during the investigation, prosecutors said. If upheld, this will give the right to any law



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enforcement officer who spots a club member wearing the logo to stop him and confiscate the branded item.

The trial next moves to a third phase, in which U.S. District Judge David O. Carter will decide how the forfeiture is carried out. He declined to immediately order the logos forfeited and set a hearing next month to address possible First Amendment issues raised by the verdict, agreeing to solicit briefs from a variety of experts, including trademark attorneys, law school professors, civil rights organizations and think tanks.

The judge's decision highlights the new legal ground being broken in the unprecedented case, which has attracted national attention and is virtually guaranteed to go before the Ninth Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals and perhaps the U.S. Supreme Court.

### CALIFORNIA TO BEGIN **ENFORCING MODIFIED** EXHAUST PENALTIES

As of January 1, 2019, a modified exhaust on an automobile or motorcycle in California, excessively loud, can no longer be cited as a correctable violation. Previously, if you were cited you had time to get it fixed in order to avoid paying the fine, but Assembly Bill AB1824 carves out an exception for exhaust noise by removing the opportunity to correct the violation and requires a citation to result in a fine only.

AB 1824, which was sponsored by the Assembly Committee on Budget and signed into law by then-Governor Jerry Brown in June of 2018, does not change existing laws pertaining to exhaust noise or sale and installation of aftermarket exhaust systems, but rather amends how excess exhaust noise violations are handled by law enforcement. Beginning this year, a vehicle cited for violating the current exhaust noise law will no longer receive what is commonly known as a "fixit" ticket. Instead, violations will result in an immediate mandatory monetary fine.

The fine for a California traffic ticket for "a loud exhaust system" is up to \$1,000 dollars.

### HELMET-FREE SCOOTERS

Assembly Bill 2989, the e-scooter bill sponsored by California Assemblyman Heath Flora (R-Ripon), removes the requirement for riders of motorized (electric) standup scooters in the Golden State to wear a bicycle helmet, provided they

are 18 or older. The new traffic law also prohibits riding a motorized e-scooter on highways with a speed limit greater than 25 mph, or roads with a speed limit greater than 35 mph, unless it is within a marked bikeway.

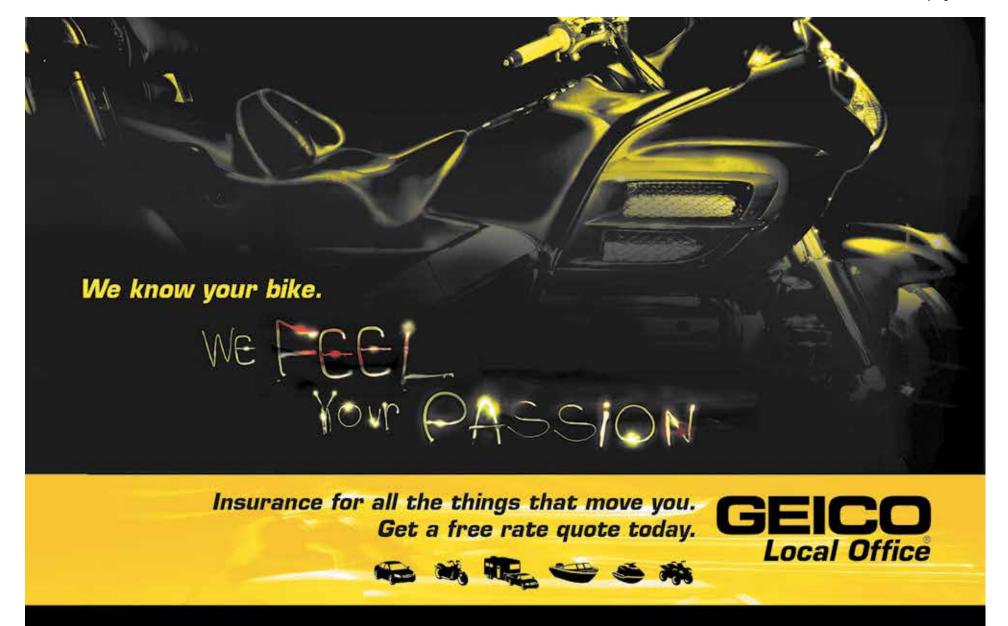
Meanwhile, Assembly Bill 3077, sponsored by then-Assemblywoman Anna Caballero (D-Salinas) provides law enforcement the ability to issue a "fix-it ticket" to anyone under 18 who doesn't wear a helmet while on a bicycle, skateboard or skates. The newly enacted violation is correctable if the minor completes a bicycle safety course and gets a helmet that meets safety standards within 120 days of the ticket being issued.

### **UTAH BECOMES** FIRST IN NATION TO LOWER DUI LIMIT TO .05 PERCENT

The Beehive State made history on December 30th by becoming the first state to lower its blood alcohol concentration limit (BAC) for drunken driving to .05 percent, just in time for New Year's Eve.

Utah lowered the drunken driving BAC from .08, the national limit imposed by former President Bill Clinton

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in 2000, to .05, making it the nation's strictest DUI law. Utah's new law also says anyone who "operates a motor vehicle in a negligent manner causing the death of another" will have committed criminal homicide, which is a felony.

In 1983, Utah was the first state to lower its blood alcohol limit from 0.10 to 0.08 for impaired driving. It would take nearly two decades for every state to follow suit, but as they did, the nation's rate of alcohol-related traffic deaths dropped 10%. Now, Utah is pioneering the move to lower it once again.

Utah State Representative Norm Thurston (R-Provo) sponsored the bill at the request of the National Transportation Safety Board, which has been urging states to lower DUI limits to 0.05 since 2013.

The American Beverage Institute says the new lower limit targets social drinkers and calls the law an "attack on the restaurant and hospitality industries," claiming nearly 70% of alcohol-related fatalities in the U.S. are caused by drivers with a much higher BAC of 0.15 and above.

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### SCIENCE PROVES THAT RIDING A MOTORCYCLE IS GOOD FOR YOU

Motorcyclists have always said there's no better prescription for stress than riding a bike, and now a study from the Semel Institute for Neuroscience and Human Behavior, at the University of California, Los Angeles, seems to confirm that.

The recent study, funded by Harley-Davidson Inc., demonstrated potential mental and physical benefits of riding, including decreased levels of cortisol, a hormonal marker of stress.

Three UCLA researchers studied more than 50 motorcycle riders in tests that recorded their brain activity and hormone levels before, during and after riding a bike, driving a car and resting. The bike ride resulted in a 28% decrease in biomarkers of stress, according to the researchers.

On average, riding a motorcycle for 20 minutes increased participants' heart rates by 11% and adrenaline levels by 27%, similar to light exercise, as well as their focus and alertness.

Harley-Davidson says the study's findings validate what it's known for more than a century: that riding is good for your mental health.

This means the next time you are sitting at your computer feeling sluggish or that you get home after a long a stressful day, the answer to getting back on track or relieving some of the tension could be to simply go out for a ride...doctor's orders!

### DO SELF-DRIVING CARS 'SEE' **MOTORCYCLES?**

Lane-splitting is an accepted maneuver by motorcyclists all over the world, but in America it is only practiced by riders in the Golden State. California-based Tesla, whose cars are well represented on California highways, seems to be aware of motorcyclists' unique filtering capabilities there and has been working to ensure their Autopilot systems detect the presence of a lane-sharing rider in traffic

However, YouTuber Scott Kubo recently posted a video to test the functionality of motorcycle detection while lane-splitting, and apparently detecting an approaching motorcycle seems to be hit and miss in Version 9 of Tesla's neural net Autopilot software. It's clear from the clip that the system confuses motorcycles with cars at times, and can

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even miss a motorcycle entirely if the motorcycle is moving at a good clip. It's tough to determine how useful this detection would be in its current state in real-world application.

In the YouTube clip Kubo explains that the current 360° camera system (2.0 and 2.5) can process 200 frames per second (or 200fps) spread across the eight cameras positioned around his Tesla car. So, each camera has an equivalent frame rate of 25fps -- a decent digital SLR camera can have over 100fps and an iPhone can shoot at up to 240fps. It might be that the current system just doesn't have a high enough frame to capture fast moving motorcycles.

Self-driving cars are still a burgeoning field of technology with some bugs to work out, and Tesla warns that Autopilot should not be used without some sort of human interaction, but would you want to be rolling up behind a robotic car knowing that an inattentive driver may not be quick enough to take over the manual controls if they "didn't see the motorcycle"?

### DRIVERLESS CAR KILLS ROBOTIC PEDESTRIAN

In what some are labeling "Ro-

bot-on-Robot" crime, an autonomous self-driving Tesla car struck and "killed" a robot roaming down the middle of the roadway in a hit-and-run accident during the recent consumer electronics show in Las Vegas.

Many mainstream news agencies worldwide reported the incident as legitimately newsworthy, though it is generally believed to be an over-the-top PR stunt staged by Russian robotics company Promobot ahead of the CES.

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### **DUTCH POLICE CALL ON** PARLIAMENT TO QUICKLY BAN **OUTLAW BIKER GANGS**

Dutch authorities want Parliament to speed up a legislative proposal that will allow the Justice Minister to immediately ban "outlaw motorcycle gangs" emerging in the Netherlands, said police chief Pim Miltenburg, in charge of the motorcycle gang file at the police.

Currently, banning an outlaw motorcycle club is a lengthy job in the Netherlands. A court must decide whether the 'gang' is acting in conflict with public order. "The disadvantage of this type of procedure is that we can not arrange it in a short period of time, but it takes months or years before it is completed", Miltenburg told *NLTimes.nl*.

The police say they would prefer if the Minister of Justice and Security can ban a motorcycle gang immediately, with a judge testing the ban afterwards.

So far Dutch courts banned two wellknown motorcycle clubs. Satudarah and Bandidos. The Public Prosecutor also stated plans to get the Hells Angels and No Surrender banned sometime this year, adding that some two thousand people in the Netherlands now belong to an outlaw motorcycle gang.

### U.S. SENATE TAKES A STAND **AGAINST POLICE PROFILING** OF MOTORCYCLISTS

The United States Senate has approved the Motorcycle Profiling Resolution (Senate Resolution 154) without amendment by unanimous consent on Dec 11, addressing concerns of motorcyclists across the country regarding law enforcement discriminating against bikers in traffic stops, citations and arrests.

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This bipartisan and bicameral resolution (H.Res. 318 companion in the House) could provide a national solution to the discriminatory profiling of motorcyclists over mode of transportation or style of dress in enforcing the law. Several states have considered bills to prohibit police from profiling motorcyclists, and Washington became the first state to pass such an anti-profiling law in 2011, followed by Maryland in 2016.

The two companion measures in the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives, which are nonbinding and do not have the force of law, seek to curb profiling of motorcycle riders at the federal level by "Promoting awareness of motorcycle profiling and encouraging collaboration and communication with the motorcycle community and law enforcement officials to prevent instances of profiling."

S.Res. 154 and H.Res. 318 also "urges State law enforcement officials to include statements condemning motorcycle profiling in written policies and training materials."

U.S. Senator Ron Johnson (R-WI) spearheaded the measure in the Senate, and recently tweeted; "Pleased the Senate passed S.Res. 154 to encourage

states to take steps to prevent profiling of #motorcycle riders. Hopefully this will lead to more efforts to raise awareness of and address motorcycle profiling."

As defined by the Congressional resolutions, "motorcycle profiling" means "the illegal use of the fact that a person rides a motorcycle or wears motorcycle related apparel as a factor in deciding to stop and question, take enforcement action, arrest, or search a person or vehicle with or without legal basis under the Constitution of the United States."

Concerned riders are now urged to contact their Congressional delegations in the U.S. House of Representatives and encourage them to join their Senate colleagues by likewise passing House Resolution 318.

### NCOM CONVENTION TO ADDRESS **BIKERS' RIGHTS ISSUES**

Topics such as Motorcycle Profiling and "Save the Patch" will be among the many issues of concern to our nation's motorcycle community that will be addressed during the upcoming 34th annual NCOM Convention, to be held Mother's Day weekend, May 10-12, 2019 at the DoubleTree by Hilton in Orlando, Florida. Hundreds of bikers' rights activists from the ranks of motorcycle rights organizations (MROs) and Confederations of Clubs (COCs), as well as independents and other allied riders will gather to discuss the concerns of all riders.

Agenda items will cover various legal and legislative issues, with Special Meetings for Veterans Affairs, Women in Motorcycling, Clean & Sober Roundtable and World of Sport Bikes, as well as the Christian Unity Conference and Confederation of Clubs Patch Holders Meeting. Additional seminars will be conducted regarding Restoration of Rights, Leadership 101 and "Share the Road" Motorcycle Safety.

All motorcyclists are welcome, and to pre-register for the 2019 NCOM Convention contact the National Coalition of Motorcyclists at (800) ON-A-BIKE or visit www.ON-A-BIKE.com.

### CELL PHONE BANS ARE SAVING MOTORCYCLISTS' LIVES

Laws to ban or curb drivers' use of cell phones and other handheld devices have greatly reduced the rate of fatalities for motorcyclists, according to a new study by faculty at Florida Atlantic University and the University of Miami.





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The study's findings, recently published in Social Science & Medicine, show that states with moderate to strong bans have motorcycle fatality rates that differ by as much as 11% compared to states with no bans.

The study originally intended to focus on overall traffic fatality rates involving cell phone use while driving. When it comes to car vs. car crashes, it's not clear that partial or total bans on phone use while driving has had any effect on fatalities, due largely to the high level of crash safety built into modern cars. Such is not the case when it comes to motorcycles, however. To the researchers' surprise, data from the study reflects that states that have either a partial or total ban on cell phone use while driving have a lower number of motorcycle fatalities compared to states with no ban at all.

The researchers of this study argue that policymakers should consider strengthening texting and handheld cell phone bans, as well as enforcement, to improve safety and save motorcyclist lives. According to the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety, using a handheld cell phone while driving is illegal in just sixteen states plus Washington, D.C.

"In the case of motorcycles, these laws seem to be effective," said study co-author Gulcin Gumus, Ph.D., an associate professor in health administration in the Department of Management Programs at FAU's College of Business. "While it's not clear that these laws have had an impact on reducing the overall number of traffic fatalities, when we focus specifically on motorcycles, we find that these laws are having a major impact in reducing deaths among motorcycle riders."

### RECORD NUMBERS OF WOMEN ARE RIDING MOTORCYCLES

More and more women are moving from the back seat of a motorcycle to behind the handlebars, with the number of female riders doubling over the past decade from one in ten in 2009 to one in five today.

A study by the Motorcycle Industry Council (MIC) found that women now make up 19% of motorcycle owners, with even greater ownership among younger generations. The survey found that among Millennials (Generation Y, born from 1985-2004), 26% of motorcycle owners were women. Among Gen X (those born 1965-1984), 22% were women.

"As the number of Boomers and mature motorcyclists shrink and are replaced by newer riders, we could soon be looking at a solid 25% of motorcycle owners being female," said Andria Yu, MIC director of communications.

The MIC polled 2,472 adults nationwide for the 2018 Motorcycle/ATV Owner Survey. For decades, the MIC says its surveys have served as the census of motorcycling, and have tracked a steady growth in the percentage of women who own bikes.

The MIC says the 2018 owner survey also found that women motorcycle owners spend, on average, \$574 a year on tires, routine repairs, maintenance, replacement parts, and accessories and modifying equipment, compared with \$497 by men.

Motorcycling has grown in popularity and acceptance in American culture in recent decades, which the MIC says is reflected in their survey. It found that 66% of women motorcycle owners say their family and friends would have a positive attitude toward motorcycles and continues on page 15





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However, total ridership is struggling according to *USA Today*, and overall new motorcycle sales have been stagnant in the U.S. since the Great Recession, with annual sales peaking in 2006.

# LONDON MOTORCYCLISTS FACE SURCHARGES

In a bid to improve air quality, the ULEZ (Ultra Low Emission Zone) will launch April 8, 2019, and drivers or riders of older vehicles in London's central congestion zone will thereon face a round-the-clock charge of £12.50 per day (\$15.80 USD).

ULEZ has been described as the world's most radical crackdown on vehicle emissions, and will apply to motorcycles that fail to meet "Euro 4" standards (those registered before 2007).

The rider group We Ride London is campaigning against this unfair and counter-intuitive tax, stating that "Motorcycles and scooters are part of the solution to reducing pollution, congestion and overcrowding but we continue to be ignored."

The charge will apply 24/7 and in October 2021 will be extended to the area inside the North and South Circular

roads – multiplying the charge zone by 28 times.

### MAN CLAIMS DISCRIMINATION IN CANADA'S HELMET EXEMPTION LAW

Earlier this year, the province of Alberta in Canada became the third province to pass a law exempting the Sikh community from wearing motorcycle helmets -- north of the U.S. border, helmets are mandatory on a motorcycle. One Albertan, however, strongly believes the exemption is discriminatory and that if Sikhs don't have to wear a helmet, neither should he.

Troy Fandrick from Medicine Hat, Alberta, believes that the exemption granted earlier this year is discriminatory. As a non Sikh, he his forced by law to wear a helmet and his claim is that if a small percentage of the population is allowed to ride without a helmet, everyone else should be allowed as well.

Fandrick explains that his issue doesn't lie in the fact that Sikhs have been granted the exemption: his main complaint is "why them and not me"? He points a finger at Transport Canada for imposing a rule that doesn't apply to everyone and that in this case, he is being

denied equal rights.

"The sole distinction in the law is racial and ethnic in nature. There's no additional qualification," Fandrick told *Medicine Hat News*, claiming that he has already been pulled over -- and fined -- three times because he wasn't wearing a helmet.

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"I just want equal rights," says Fandrick, who is currently gathering funding via a GoFundMe page to enlist the services of a lawyer interested in taking on his cause.

### **QUOTABLE QUOTES:**

"Every man is guilty of all the good he didn't do."

~ Voltaire (1694-1778), French historian and philosopher

"Civilization is built on a number of ultimate principles...respect for human life, the punishment of crimes against property and persons, the equality of all good citizens before the law...or, in a word: justice."

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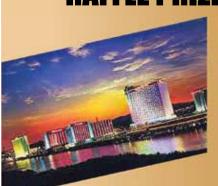
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1-29-19 ... According to the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, Harley-Davidson Motorcycle Company has issued a recall of nearly 44,000 motorcycles due to faulty brakes. "Street 750 and Street 500 models manufactured in the U.S. from May 19, 2015, through Dec. 6, 2018, are subject to the recall." Dealerships will be installing new front & rear calipers on affected motorcycles.

While this recall would have eventually made it to our pages via the NHTSA recall web service, H-D corporate told MJS that the posting has been delayed due to the government shut down.

If you are uncertain about the status of your motorcycle, contact your local dealer.

Thank you Milwaukee Journal Sentinel for helping to get the word out to the motorcycling community!

https://www.jsonline.com/story/money/2019/01/29/harley-davidson-recallsnearly-44-000-street-motorcycles-faultybrakes/2710043002/

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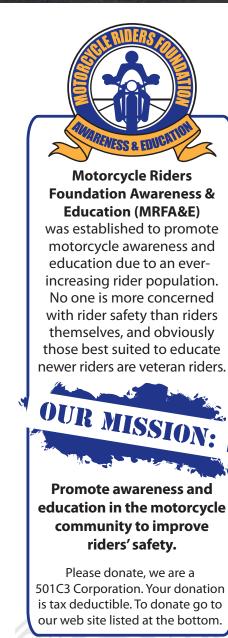


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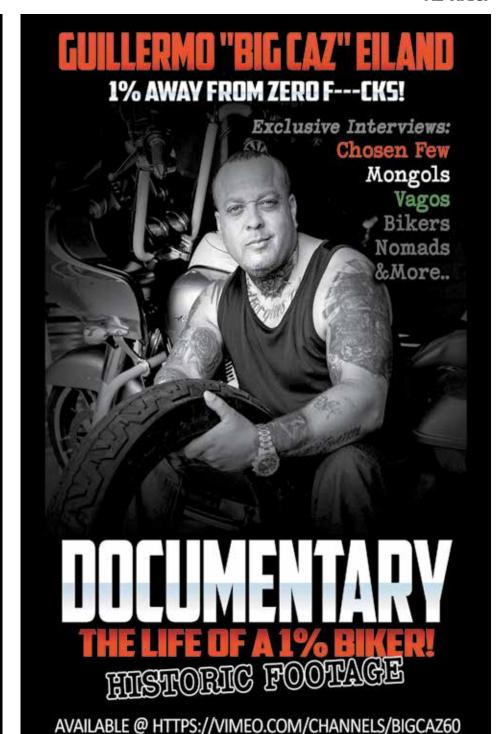
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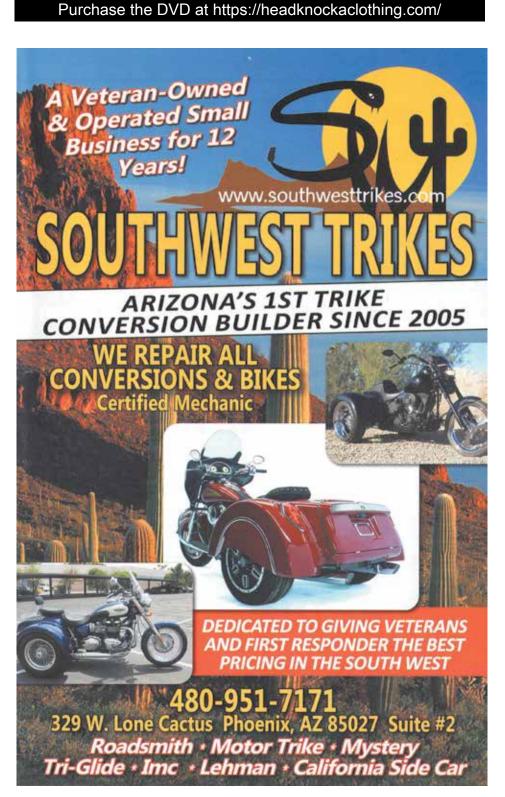
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# American Dream Act AZ to Keep Seniors in their Homes

An Initiative to Exempt Arizona Seniors over the age of 65 from Paying Property Taxes



Media Contact Lynne Weaver (602) 900-6238

For Immediate Release:

Phoenix, AZ (January 23, 2019) - The American Dream Act AZ filed an initiative measure to eliminate property taxes on the primary residence for senior citizens over age 65 in Arizona. The initiative will help seniors who own their home but live on a fixed income such as Social Security.

"Many people over 65 can't work for

health reasons and too many seniors in Arizona are losing their home because they can't afford to pay the property taxes after they retire," said Lynne Weaver, Director of American Dream Act AZ. "We have many seniors having to make a decision between filling their prescriptions or paying property tax on a home they spent their whole life working to pay off only to lose it to foreclosure because they can't pay the property taxes," she added.

Arizona is one of the few states with primary and secondary property taxes. Arizona's average property tax rate is the

highest among several of our neighboring states including New Mexico, Utah and Colorado and is in line with Nevada and California.

Signature collection will begin this week with the initiative needing nearly 360,000 valid signatures to get on the 2020 ballot.

For more information on how you can donate your time or money to support the American Dream Act Arizona, go to <a href="https://www.AmericanDreamActAZ.com">www.AmericanDreamActAZ.com</a> . For media inquiries please contact Lynne Weaver at (602) 900-6238.

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# Bonnier Corporation to Discontinue Hot Bike Print Publication

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### Hot Bike Social Media, Special-Interest Publications & Hot Bike Tour to Continue

January 11, 2019 ... IRVINE, Calif. – (January 10, 2019) Bonnier Corporation announced today it is ceasing publication of *Hot Bike* magazine, effective immediately. Issue 6 of 2018, on newsstands now, is the brand's last.

"We can't thank Editor-in-Chief Jordan Mastagni and his team enough for making a great magazine," said Bonnier Motorcycle Group Editorial Director Mark Hoyer. "But as media and ad spending continue to change, particularly in the V-twin space, we have shifted our focus and efforts to our larger, more general interest, moto brands."

The *Hot Bike* brand will continue to be active on social media, in two to three annual special-interest publications, and through events such as the successful *Hot Bike* Tour that takes place in September.

"For years the *Hot Bike* magazine has been spared the disruptive changes taking place in the publishing community with ad support from the motorcycle industry," said Bonnier Motorcycle Group SVP, Andy Leisner. "Unfortunately, two significant reductions in ad revenue from an OEM and large aftermarket company hurt the print brand in 2018, and the decision was made to channel this content across other strong Bonnier Motorcycle Group brands."

V-Twin content will continue across *Cycle World*, the world's largest motorcycle media brand, as well as Bonnier's *Motorcyclist* and *Motorcycle Cruiser* titles. Details of the 2019 *Hot Bike* Tour will be announced shortly.

### **About Bonnier Corporation**

Bonnier Corp. is one of the largest special-interest publishing groups in America, with more than 30 multichannel brands extending into all platforms including magazines, digital media, events, and product licensing. Bonnier Corp.'s brands include *Popular Science*, *Saveur*, *Field & Stream*, *Yachting*, *Flying*, *Salt Water Sportsman*, *Cycle World*, *Working Mother*, and *Outdoor Life*. Bonnier Corp. is owned by Swedish-based Bonnier, a multichannel media conglomerate operating in 15 countries.

# Motorcycle Profiling Project:

# Pagans Charges Dropped After AZ Rider Video Shows Excessive Force

Power of Video: Charges Against Pagans Dropped Due to Video

Published on November 19th, 2018 | by David "Double D" Devereaux

http://www.motorcycleprofilingproject.com/pagans-charges-dropped-excessive-force/

The National Council Of Clubs (NCOC), dedicated to defending the political, legislative and legal interests of motorcyclists across America, joins those voicing disgust with the videotaped actions of undercover and uniformed Pittsburgh Police officers inside Kopy's bar on October 12th, 2018, which resulted in the arrests of Pagans Motorcycle Club members Frank Deluca, 36; Michael Zokaites, 38; Erik Heitzenrater, 28; and Bruce Thomas, 61. Video released by numerous news outlets shows officers brutally beating one of these members well past the point of being subdued before being arrested and charged with aggravated assault, conspiracy and riot as a result of the fight<sup>1</sup>. On November 14th, all charges were dropped against all four defendants. Furthermore, the FBI announced an on-going investigation into the incident.2

In the short-term, the officers involved should have their employment terminated and all officers involved should be held civilly and criminally liable. In the long-term, legislative solutions prohibiting discrimination and profiling would protect against civil liberty violations, and therefore exposure to civil liability, by reducing the probability of such incidents occurring in the first place.

The NCOC also supports the bar owner's constitutional right to pursue an occupation, which was infringed by officers when the owner was told that he must ban motorcycle club colors in his bar following the brawl. Agents of the government such as law enforcement officers are also constitutionally prohibited from coercing or pressuring a private establishment to discriminate.

### **A Story of Excessive Force**

There are differing accounts of what started the brawl. The bar owner, for example, reports that the police were the agitators and aggressors. But regardless of what started the fight, punching a completely defenseless Frank Deluca in the head and face 23 times while his arms were being held and his hair pulled back, as irrefutably shown in video, is unconstitutional use of excessive force even if there was probable cause for an arrest, which, according to defense attorneys, eyewitness accounts to local news media, and the recent dismissals, is highly improbable.

"Without a doubt, the most controversial issue in American policing is the use of force by police officers. On too many occasions, we have seen newspaper headlines reporting that an individual has been brutalized or, worse yet, killed by the police. The consequences of excessive and deadly force have

been severe, affecting both police organizations and the communities they serve." <sup>3</sup> The events of October 12th are a perfect demonstration.

### **Equal Access and Threatening Kopy's**

Independent of the excessive force issues, the Pittsburgh undercover officers involved continued their streak of constitutional violations after the beatings and arrests. As published by Channel 11 News/WPXL on October 24th, 2018:

The owner of Kopy's, who was doused with pepper spray, said after the fight, a police lieutenant blamed him.

"The lieutenant stated that this was my fault for letting them in with jackets. I responded the bikers did not cause the fight, and the lieutenant began screaming to me about the bikers being dangerous and referenced that they had guns and that someone could have been shot or killed."

The owner said the lieutenant also told him to post a dress code and that he doesn't want to see any bikers in his bar.

It is settled law that agents of the government are barred from acts of discrimination. Wearing motorcycle club colors expressing associations falls "squarely within the protective umbrella of the First Amendment...any action to punish or deter such speech...is categorically prohibited by the Constitution." 4

According to the Supreme Court, the Due Process Clause of the 14th Amendment protects a liberty or property interest in pursuing the "common occupations or professions of life." See Schware v. Board of Bar Examiners, 353 U.S. 232, 238-39, 77 S.Ct. 752, 755-56, 1 L.Ed.2d 796 (1957); Chalmers v. City of Los Angeles, 762 F.2d 753, 757 (9th Cir.1985). The constitutional right infringed in cases of excessive and unreasonable police conduct, like demands that a private establishment prohibit motorcycle club colors, is "the right to pursue an occupation." Benigni v. City of Hemet, 879 F.2d 473 (9th Cir. 1989)

### What Should Be Done?

The actions of the officers at Kopy's bar were simply egregious and inexcusable. Aside from the direct harm caused by their conduct, these officers have exposed the department, government, and taxpayers to huge civil liability damage for irrefutable violations of the constitution.

In the short-term, the NCOC believes that all officers involved should ultimately have their employment terminated when allegations of excessive force or coercion are confirmed through investigation and due process. The NCOC supports the efforts of those violated to pursue relief through civil rights claims.

Longer-term, the NCOC believes that legislative solutions to address the issue of motorcycle profiling, combined with basic training and education related to current constitutional prohibitions against government discrimination, would reduce similar incidents

of profiling and discrimination going forward.

### Incident Again Proves Video Evidence is Key

This incident is further confirmation that video is the best weapon available in the fight against motorcycle profiling and discrimination. Without video, law enforcement's version of events would likely go unchecked and 4 individuals would still be facing aggravated assault and riot charges.

Indeed, video has been the key factor in many motorcycle profiling successes. Video is incontrovertible in many cases. In Washington State, video of state troopers crawling through the bushes on the grounds of the Capitol during biker day at the Capitol convinced legislators that motorcycle profiling had followed us to the very steps of the Capitol. In Maryland, the other state with a law addressing the issue, video obtained through a public information request proved that the state police participated in a mass profiling stop, despite complete denial.

Video is often critical in individual incidents of profiling as well. In Kansas City, an off duty officer moonlighting as a security guard was caught threatening a 1% club member with arrest for trespassing because the Quick Trip didn't allow 1%'ers on their property. Video of the incident led to the officers termination from both Quick Trip and the KCPD.

Video capability is everywhere. And the First Amendment absolutely protects your right to video record law enforcement in public as long as one does not interfere with officers legally carrying out their duties. Seeing is believing for most people. And video preserves an incident fo all to see.

# Help Fight Profiling in PA and Across America

What can an individual immediately do to help fight motorcycle profiling in Pennsylvania and across America? Participate in the National Motorcycle Profiling Survey 2018, which helps the fight against motorcycle profiling! It only takes a few minutes to impact legislation nationwide!

http://www.motorcycleprofilingproject.com/national-motorcycle-profling-survey/

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2nd Saturdays: Lost Dutchman MC Queen Creek Open House, from 4-11:30pm for any of you bikers. We make a nice rest stop on your way home or your way out. Cold drinks, good bbq, music, etc. You are welcome to join in. All types of bikes, all types of people, cars too. 17998 186th St, Queen Creek. Thank you. FMI: dffd mesa@yahoo.com

3rd Saturdays 2019 {2/16, 3/16}: Superstition Harley-Davidson HOG Chapter General Meeting in the H.O.G. Room at 10am. Gather at 9:30am for cake, conversation, & coffee. HOG Dogs follows. Superstition H-D 2910 W. Apache Trail Apache Junction, AZ 85120 FMI: 480-346-0600, https://www.facebook.com/superstitionchapter3774/ receptionist@superstitionhd.com

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1st Sundays [10/7- 4/7/19]: Arizona Cycle Swap @ Big Surf Waterpark, 1500 N McClintock Dr. Tempe, AZ 85281 from 8a-noon. \$5/pp @ gate, under 12 free. Free Parking. Buy, Sell, Swap. Rain or shine. Sponsors include Law Tigers. General & Vendor info: www.arizonacycleswap.com/

Tuesdays in February & March 2019: Two Wheel Tuesdays at Superstition Harley-Davidson. Ride in for a Free multipoint inspection. No appointment necessary. Done on the spot while you wait. SHD 2910 W. Apache Trail Apache Junction, AZ 85120 FMI: 480-346-0600, receptionist@superstitionhd.com

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2nd Wednesdays: ABATE-AZ Yavapai Chapter meeting ~ 6pm at VFW Post 541, 202 N Arizona Ave, Prescott. FMI: 928-308-9911, ycabateaz@gmail.com

4th Wednesdays: San Tan Loners MC Bike Night at the Ironwood Pub & Grub (480-987-3004) 40975 N Ironwood Rd #b108. Every 4th Wednesday from 6-9pm. Fun times and cold beers. FMI: dennissuida@yahoo.com

2nd & 3rd Friday: ALMA MC East Side Open House from 7pm-? Entertainment. Food & Beverages available. 3212 S. Fair Lane, Tempe. FMI: 127.Eastside@gmail.com

Last Fridays: Lost Dutchman MC Mesa Open House, from 7-11:30pm. 1826 W Broadway Suite #42, Mesa FMI: dffd\_mesa@yahoo.com, 480-745-4599

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2/9 {Sat} Pizza Party & Goldfish Races. Celebrate National Pizza Day with Superstition Harley-Davidson! Free pizza 12pm until gone. Goldfish races start at 1pm. Winners will take home a \$50 SHD gift card!! SHD @ 2910 W. Apache Trail Apache Junction, AZ 85120 FMI: 480-346-0600, receptionist@superstitionhd.com

2/9 Red Iron MC Poker Run starts/ends at Steel Horse Saloon 1818 W. Bell Rd, Phx phn602-942-8778. Register 10-noon. Open to everyone & all vehicles. \$20/sgl, \$30/cpl benefits the Heart Strings Foundation which donates guitars to children & veterans in music therapy programs across AZ. Poker run, raffle prizes, 50/50, live music, food, drinks, vendors, & more. Return to Steel Horse by 4pm, event ends 5pm. FMI: Nick 480-276-2387

2/9 Whiskey Runners RC Chili Cook Off 2019. Tin Top B&G, 37901 W Salome Hwy, Tonopah, AZ 85354 from 11a-4pm. Prizes for HOT - MILD - WILD. 1st prizes \$200, 2nd prizes \$50. Contestants enter free. \$10/pp, children 12 & under free with parent or guardian. \$50 Vendor Booths. Raffles, Children's Carnival Games, 50/50, Horse Shoes, Corn Hole, & more. A.R.15 Raffle. Bring 2 canned food items, get a free ticket for raffle items (NOT eligible for A.R. raffle) Note: cash bar only. FMI: 623-695-3215, whiskeyrunnersrc@gmail.com

2/10 {Sun} 36th annual Florence Prison Run. Party starts 11a @ Charles Withrow Rodeo Grounds, 4 miles s. of Florence. \$20/pp. 21 & over party. FMI: onepercenter@hotmail.com

2/13 {Wed} Yoga for Bikers classes on the Eagles Nest Patio at 4:30pm. Come & find out how Yoga helps bikers ride on. Bring a yoga mat & wear comfortable clothing. This is not an exercise class, but an introduction to yoga with basic poses as part of the experience @ Superstition Harley-Davidson 2910 West Apache Trail Apache Junction, AZ 85120 480-346-0600

2/15-17 {Fr-Sun} Lake Havasu Rockabilly Reunion at Lake Havasu City includes Car / Motorcycle Show with over 800 plus vehicles on display; 150+ Vendors to shop; Vintage Pin Up Pageant; Food Court; 22 Bands during the 3 days; much more. FMI: 928-846-0335 http://www.lakehavasurockabillyreunion.com/

2/16 {Sat} Bikers For Blood Drive at Superstition Harley-Davidson. Be a hero. Save a life. Reserve your spot today to donate. Bitchin' Stitchin' onsite also. SHD @ 2910 W. Apache Trail Apache Junction, AZ 85120, FMI: 480-346-0600, receptionist@ superstitionhd.com

2/16 MMA-AZ Beach Party @ Jake's Corner Bar from noon-5pm. \$15/pp, 1st 100 get meal included. Hula, ugly shirt, & tattoo contests. Music by Frozen Fire. FMI: Vine 928-978-2850

2/16 5th Annual Ed's Ride Arizona. Signin 9am at Arrowhead HD [623-247-5542] 16130 N Arrowhead Fountains Ctr Dr, Peoria, 85382. Last Bike Out by noon. Poker run ends at the Roadhouse in Cave Creek. There will be Raffles, Prizes, & more. \$30/sgl, \$40/cpl. Make a difference, help fight a horrible disease, and honor a great man. Poker run to benefit Alphazonies [Alpha 1 – antitrypsin deficiency.] FMI: ?

2/19 {Tues} Motorcycle Day at the Dome 8a-1pm. Hosted by ABATE of AZ. FMI: lob-byist@abateofaz.org

2/23 {Sat} Bikes & Beads Mardi Gras Party @ Superstition Harley-Davidson. Starting at 11am with free food till gone. Live Music and beads too!! SHD @ 2910 W. Apache Trail, Apache Junction, AZ 85120. FMI: 480-346-0600, receptionist@superstitionhd.com

2/23 Hooked on Healing. Details TBA. FMI: www.healingvets.org

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2/24 {Sun} Yoga for Riders. Riding & Yoga...can it get any better!? Yoga Greg will lead a short ride then give a demo and speak about stretching/breathing - things to help improve your riding experience! KSU 10:30am @ Superstition Harley-Davidson 2910 W. Apache Trail Apache Junction, 85120 FMI: 480-346-0600, receptionist@superstitionhd.com

- 3/1 {Fri} Motorcycles on Main Bike Night in Downtown Mesa from 6-10pm. Music by Moonshine VooDoo Band. Beer Garden, vendors, & more. Park & show your bike. Eateries open. Takes place every first Friday between September & June. Vendors call Courtney 480-890-2613 https://facebook.com/MotorcyclesOnMain
- 3/1 Ride With The Dealer. Ride with Superstition HD to Motorcycles on Main for Bike Night! Meet on the west lot. KSU 6:15pm. SHD @ 2910 W. Apache Trail Apache Junction, 85120 FMI: 480-346-0600, receptionist@superstitionhd.com
- 3/2 {Sat} Team Arizona BRC @ SHD. Looking to learn to ride? Team AZ offers a Basic Rider Course. Superstition HD hosts the classroom portion on the 1st Saturday of the month. Call for details. SHD @ 2910 W. Apache Trail Apache Junction, 85120 FMI: 480-346-0600, receptionist@superstitionhd.com
- 3/2 Car, Truck, & Bike Show at Beaver Bar, 11801 N 19th Ave; Phoenix, AZ. Signin 9am. Voting ends @ noon. Awards 1pm. FMI: 602-944-4644, http://thebeaverbar-phxaz.com/
- 3/2 San Tan Loners presents their Spring Fling Poker Run! Starting at the Ironwood Pub & Grub, 40975 N Ironwood Rd. Sign up @ 11am with fun and a good local run ending with 50/50 raffle and pistol raffle, live music, vendors and the high hand draw. \$10/pp, \$15/cpl. FMI: dennissuida@yahoo.com
- 3/2 Apache Junction High School NJROTC annual Car & Motorcycle Show. Pre-reg by 2/25/19. \$25/vehicle. FMI: Lisa Schroeder 928-460-0331, Daniel Darnell 602-418-6633, or njrotc.anchorclub@gmail.com
- 3/2 Ghetto Blast hosted by Spartan Riders MC at 2218 N 24th Pl, Phoenix. \$20/at gate. 2p 'til 11:30pm. Live music, tattoo contest, bbq... FMI: n/a

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3/3 {Sun} AMSAF {AZ Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Foundation} annual Riding For the Long Haul will be at El Zaribah Shriners Auditorium, 552 N 40th St, Phoenix. Free admission, live music, bike show, demos, 'safety is sexy' fashion show, vendors, & more. Sponsors include Law Tigers. FMI: www.amsaf.org

3/7-10 {Th-Sun} The Wall That Heals, on display at Dave White Park, 2121 N. Thornton Rd, Casa Grande starting Thursday until 3pm Sunday afternoon. Free admission, open 24 hrs, open to the public. [Motorcycle Escort from Eloy to Casa Grande March 5] FMI: escort 520-282-3941, gen 520-866-3645

3-16 {Sat} Lost Dutchman MC 23rd Goldrush. Sign-in 9am at Mesa LDMC Clubhouse 1826 W. Broadway, Mesa. \$20/sgl, \$30/cpl. End party at Hitching Post in Apache Junction. High hand wins pure gold. Music by Moonshine VooDoo Band. Wet-T Contest. Portion of proceeds go to Sunshine Acres Children's Home. FMI: 480-745-4599, dffd\_mesa@yahoo.com

3/16 Down Biker fund raiser organized by Tucson Bikers for Christ. 11a-4pm at Hot Rods Old Vail, 10500 E. Old Vail Rd, Tucson. A day of fun to raise funds for Bikers and their families after an accident. Biker games, Bike show, Live Music & DJ, family & kid friendly. 50\50, big screen TV raffle, & more. All Patches welcome. All Cages and anyone wanting to support the Tucson Bikers community. Anyone can support this so invite your neighbors. FMI: Gus 520-254-2599 or John 520-972-3840

3/16 Hooligans MC Deer Valley annual Shamrocks and Shenanigans Party! Special drinks, food, music and great times! Come out and join us for a great party! \$10/sgl, \$15/cpl. HMC-Deer Valley Clubhouse 2663 W Lone Cactus. FMI: www.hooligansmcdeer-valley.com

3-23 {Sat} 3-Ball Run with MMA-AZ. Signin at Charley's Place, 4324 W Thunderbird Rd, Glendale. \$5/pp. Last stop Beaver Bar, 11801 N 19th Ave, Phoenix, AZ. \$5/pp. FMI: Cindy 623-695-5659, https://www.facebook.com/events/370184670230393/

3-23 Dakota's Run hosted by Green Knights Chapter 28 MMC. Details TBA. FMI: green-knights28@gmail.com

3/24 Spartan Riders MC 'Get Outta Town' 2pm 'til? at River Bottom Saloon [520-868-3131], 2501 N AZ-79, Florence. \$10/sgl, \$15/cpl. Live music, gun raffle, 50/50 & more. FMI: n/a

4/3-7 Arizona Bike Week http://www.az-bikeweek.com/

4/3 {Wed} 19th annual Wednesday Ride for Kids presented by Phoenix HOG #93. Benefits AZ Burn Foundation's Camp Courage Burn Camp for Kids. All motorcycle makes & models welcome! Sign-in 7:30-9am @ Buddy Stubbs AZ HD, Phoenix. 260-mile tour includes Wickenburg, Bagdad, & Yarnell. Ends at Roadhouse, Cave Creek. \$35/sgl, +\$25/2-up. Pre-reg online at www.WednesdayRide.com. FMI: Tyrah Lawson, asst.director@hog93.com | www.WednesdayRide.com

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5/3-5 {Fr-Sun} 15th annual Wild in the Weeds with ABATE-AZ High Country Chapter. Punkin Center Bar & Grill, Mile Post 262 Hwy 188, Tonto Basin AZ. Music by 'Unchained'. Games, raffles, wet-T contest, silent auction... ABATE members \$15/sgl, \$25/cpl; non-members \$25 & \$35. Memberships available. FMI: CC 928-476-1955, www.WildInTheWeeds.com

6/6-9 {Thu-Sun} Too Broke For Sturgis 2019. FMI: www.toobrokeforsturgis.com/

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9/28 2nd annual Pony Express Run hosted by CVMA 32-1 {Combat Veterans Motorcycle Association & H-D of Scottsdale. Details TBA. FMI: hickinskd@yahoo.com

Motorcycles on 10/4 {Fri} Main Bike Night in Downtown Mesa from 6-10pm. Live Music, Beer Garden, vendors, & more. Park & show your bike. Eateries open. Takes place every first Friday between September & June. Vendors call Courtney 480-890-2613 https:// facebook.com/Motorcycles-OnMain

10/19 {Sat} Chili Cookoff hosted by ABATE-AZ High Country Chapter. FMI: CC 928-476-1955. https://www.facebook. com/AbateHighCountryChapter/

Motorcycles on 11/1 {Fri} Main Bike Night in Downtown Mesa from 6-10pm. Live Music, Beer Garden, vendors, & more. Park & show your bike. Eateries open. Takes place every first Friday between September & June. Vendors call Courtney 480-890-2613 https:// facebook.com/Motorcycles-OnMain

11/8-10 (Fr-Sun) ACMC's Riot on the River @ Gila River Park, Winkelman. Weekend prices = \$20/ sgl, \$30/cpl. Games, vendors, live music, & more. FMI: 623-363-3470, moehmcdv@gmail.com

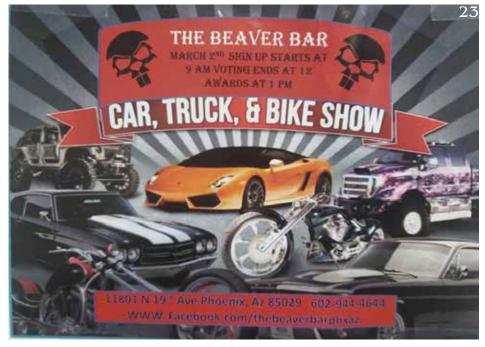
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12/14 {Sat} ABATE-AZ High **Country Chapter Toy Run. FMI:** CC 928-476-1955, https://www. facebook.com/AbateHigh-CountryChapter/

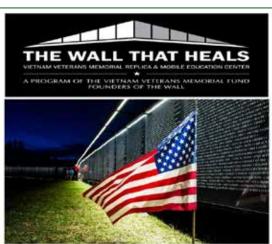
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